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Campus Elections Begin February 28

It is almost unbelievable that election time is approaching. The election of officers for the 1955-1956 school term will begin February 28.

According to the Constitution of the Student Association of Flora Macdonald College, the President of the Student Body, who is the first to be elected, will come from the rising senior class. In order to be eligible to hold a council position, a student must have at least a C and above or B average. On the second day of the elections, the President of the Christian Association will be elected. She, too, will come from the present junior class. It is necessary for her

to have had previous Cabinet experience.

After the presidents of the Student Association and the Christian Association have been elected. The election of the other members of the Student Council and Cabinet will follow. Proceeding the cabinet and council elections, the Athletic Board is chosen. The heads of publications and presidents and officers of other clubs will conclude the election period.

The new officers of the Student Association, Christian Association and Athletic Association will commence their duties at the beginning of the fourth quarter.

John Sinclair To Appear With North Carolina Little Symphony

Hutaff Donates Sign To College

Mr. Sam Hutaff, executive of the Fayetteville Coca Cola Bottling Company, has donated the money for the new sign at the gate of the college. The sign reads, "Flora Macdonald College, established 1896." The sign was erected Feb. 7 at the main entrance.

Mr. Roger Decker, who selected the blueprint, employed the Southern Pines Warehouse Company, a lumber corporation, to build the sign. Mr. Decker is now working to have lights for the sign.

NSA - ?

Students of Flora Macdonald are to vote on their acceptance of membership into the National Student Association Feb. 23. The vice president of the International Student Association will be guest speaker at the meeting.

This organization, formed by twenty-five American students who were returning from the World Student Congress in Prague, Czechoslovakia, in 1946, has as its main goal the uniting of colleges and universities.

It is designed to serve the American student community, maintain academic freedom, stimulate and improve democratic student governments, develop better educational standards, promote international understanding, guarantee to all people equal rights and possibilities for education, and promote students' interest and welfare.

Membership in the National Student Association automatically makes a student body a member of the International Student Association. Each member of the NSA receives an official bulletin each month. The dues for membership are twenty-nine dollars.

"The student council thinks it will be a great help to the council as well as to the student body," stated Betty Joe Hatcher, chairman of the council's committee on NSA.

Mr. John Sinclair, pianist, will appear as soloist with the North Carolina Little Symphony for three adult concerts this season: in Reidsville Friday, Feb. 25, at 8:15 p.m. in the Lawsonville Avenue School; in Hendersonville Wednesday, March 2, at 8:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium, and in Goldsboro on Wednesday, March 16, at 8:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium. He will play Liszt's Concerto No. 1, in E flat major.

Mr. Sinclair became a member of the Conservatory faculty of Flora Macdonald College in 1952. He received his B. M. degree from Louisiana State University; Diploma in Piano from Julliard School of Music, and M.M. degree from Eastman School of Music. Mr. Sinclair has studied with artist Carleton Liddle, Beveridge Webster, and Cecile Gernhart. Having been presented in numerous concerts, appeared on television, and having made several appearances with symphony orchestras. Mr. Sinclair is a well-known artist himself.

Guest Soloist



JOHN SINCLAIR

Highland Players Announce Date For Play

The date for the play "Crack-up" by Arthur Jearue has been chosen. It will be held March 29. This play, principally a romance, has a sub-plot that will hold one's interest until the

Jean Jones Queen Of Mardi Gras

Freshmen, Juniors Win First Games of Tourney

By JO McMILLAN

Freshmen won over Sophomores 47-31, in a close battle. Pacing the winner's team were Mary Collins and Evelyn Moore, who played together in Monroe High School. The freshmen guards also held a tight zone to stop the Sophomores Sue Owen and Lou Ann Nethercutt. We have to say it was really a hard fought game and showed how important the desire to win is.

The contest, between Lucille Graham and Sallie Ann Munroe with their height and skill was interesting to watch. Both teams played a hard game but the powerful Jr. team was too much for (Continued on Page 4)

Presbyterians Serve Foreign Dish Supper

A foreign dish supper was served last night to members of the Westminster Fellowship in the Red Springs Scout hut. The annual supper was planned by Becky Williams and Gladys McCain. This occasion celebrates foreign missions season.

Spaghetti, French bread, iced tea, and gingerbread with sauce were served on place mats noting the Presbyterian mission fields. A larger world-mission map completed the decorations.

Informal discussions about missions in countries represented at Flora Macdonald comprised the program. Since the foreign students themselves were unable to attend the dinner, council members reported for them.

Betsy Fleshman discussed the mission field of Korea, Mary Ruth Matze presented Canada. Jo McMillan reported on Brazil; Barbara Cullom on Iran, and Julia Lee Ribet on Europe and the Waldensians.

A Dream Almost Come True

The Prayer Chapel located in Vardell Court is an outgrowth of a need felt by Flora Macdonald students. Several years ago students felt the need of a quiet place where they might go for meditation and prayer. Students discussed the matter and suggested the building of a Prayer Chapel. After much thought and prayer the idea began to develop. The first concrete work began during 1952-1953 with Frances Dudley serving as Chairman of the Prayer Chapel Committee. Mr. Caudill, Synod architect, drew up the first plans and helped the students get started.

The fund-raising campaign began with a check of \$1000 from a friend of the college. Then \$250 was the total amount received from students pledges during the summer of 1953. More money was raised by

very end of the play. It is the story of a girl who becomes a bitter recluse because she is crippled on her wedding day, and the story of a young man's downfall and regeneration when the happiness of someone he loves is at stake.

Ford Foundation Gives \$50,000

The Ford Foundation has given to the Synod of North Carolina the sum of \$50,000 in order to make a survey into educational research into all Presbyterian colleges in North Carolina. The Synod has hired Dr. Roger P. McCuchans and Dr. E. H. Agnew, the former president of Coker College, as directors of this research.

Flora Macdonald College was visited last year by Dr. Marion Wicker along with several other members as a part of the research. Several other colleges which are being visited also in this survey are Davidson College, Presbyterian Junior College in Maxton, Peace College in Raleigh, Queens College in Charlotte, Mitchell College in Statesville, and Montreat College.

Virginia Club To Hold Hospitality Week-end

When one hears the state of Virginia mentioned around here it is usually met with cheers. The daughters of the Old Dominion are proud of their state and keep up an air of friendly rivalry. In order to bring more Virginians to Flora Macdonald the Virginia Club is sponsoring a Hospitality weekend for Virginia students. This is to be April 23-24. All members are writing to several of their friends inviting them down and there should be from 50-60 girls attending. They will be shown around the campus and have a chance to talk to the professors. A pajama party is planned and also a songfest after a picnic supper. That night vespers will be held in the rotunda.

Jean Jones was elected as Queen of the Mardi Gras by popular vote of the two classes. She was crowned by Master of Ceremonies, Mr. William F. Reagan, during intermission at the Freshman-Sophomore Dance. Jean was escorted by Johnny "Dick" McDonald of Greensboro North Carolina, who was crowned as her King.

Following the coronation, a program was presented for the King and Queen. Little Linda Ashford opened the program with her beautiful "Swan Dance." She was followed by Judy Brown with her fine rendition of "The Birth of the Blues" Myra Springs completed the program with her lovely ballet, "The Belle of the Ball."

The figure followed and was led by the class sponsors, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Skinner, and Mr. and Mrs. David Tatum. Others in the figure were: Hazel McLean — Freshman Vice-President. Marian Stucky — Freshman Secretary. Carolyn Johnson — Sophomore Secretary. Julia Gibbs — Sophomore Treasurer. Shirley Evans — Freshman General Chairman. Barbara Wingate — Freshman Decoration Chairman. Jean Jones — Sophomore Decoration Chairman. Ann Eller — Freshman Invitations Chairman. Pat Lovett — Sophomore Invitations Chairman. Miran Barrow — Freshman Refreshments Chairman. Joyce Ivey — Sophomore Refreshment Chairman.

The dance ended at twelve amidst confetti and falling balloons.

New College Bulletins Arrive

The Flora Macdonald students will be interested to learn that the new college bulletins have arrived from the printers. One part of the shipment has been received, and soon copies will be available for all.

The college calendar for the school term 1955-1956 will be of concern to the present freshman, sophomore, and junior classes. The college opens next year on September 10. The juniors will take special notice of the date of graduation—Monday, June 4.

We are particularly happy with the provision of a "reading day" prior to the beginning of each exam week. This is a day of no classes which is set aside for students to prepare for examinations.

Many of the physical features of the bulletin have been changed. A picture of Billiejeane Ador entering the front door replaces the old cover picture. Also, many new pictures have been added.

A word of praise is due Mrs. Walter Bullock and Mr. Bill McGoogan for the pictures submitted to the bulletin. The printer who did our work commented that the pictures published were the best he had ever printed in a college catalogue.

for the dedicatory service which will be held in the spring. An unusual scrapbook with the story of the growth of the Prayer Chapel in pictures has been made by Betty Joe Hatcher.