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Ten Candidates Try For NC Wesleyan Homecoming Queen

By LEE SMITH

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Ten Wesleyan coeds have been nominated to the Homecoming Court for 1971-72. The candidates include Lynn Austin, Ernestine Dancy, Patti Holt, Betty Anne Lee, Cindy Rotty,



MISS LEE Sigma Omega



Helen Steiner, Georgia Thompson, Nancy Tonkens, Cindy Trimm, and Diane Williams. The election will be held on Wednesday, December 1, in the Student Union and the Homecoming Queen will be crowned at the dance on Saturday Night.



MISS DANCY Nu Gamma Phi



MISS TONKENS Compass Club

Lynn Alston is a sophomore Elementary Education Major representing the sophomore class. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Alston of Littleton, N. C. Ernestine Dancy is a senior history major from Battleboro, N. C. The daughter of Mr. Ernest Dancy, she will represent Nu Gamma Phi Fraternity. Patti Holt from Annandale, Va., will be the candidate from the Circle K Club. She is a freshman and the daughter of Mr. Robert Holt.

Betty Lee, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Lee of Richmond, Va., is the candidate from Sigma Omega Fraternity. She is a senior theatre major. Cindy Rotty, a senior math major, will represent the cheerleaders. Cindy is from Helen Steiner, Norfolk, Va. a senior religion major, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William G. Steiner of Hyattsville, Maryland. She is the candidate from the senior class,

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MISS ROTTY

Social Commission Finishes Plans For Wesleyan's Sixth Homecoming

By RALPH ROSE

North Carolina Wesleyan College will celebrate its annual Homecoming Weekend on December 2, 3, and 4. Helen Steiner, Tom Hardison, and the members of the Social Commission have been working diligently to plan a fun-filled and exciting schedule of activities.

On Thursday, December 2, three exciting events will take place. The cheerleaders will be sponsoring a pep rally in Everett Gymnasium at 7 p.m. Immediately following the pep rally, a bonfire will be held at the Power Plant, also sponsored by the cheerleaders. The Wesleyan College Theatre will present a Medieval Christmas Pageant in the Experimental Theatre on December 2, 3, and 4 at 8:30 p.m. Admission will be \$1,50 per person.

At 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, the Junior class will sponsor a bicycle race around Tyler Driver, All standard types of bikes are eligible for the competition. Then, at 2:00 p.m. the Bishops will host UNC-Greensboro in basketball. During the halftime, the Homecoming Court will be presented to the student body. Tom Hardison will serve as emcee.

The highlight of the day will be the semi-formal dance. The theme of the dance is "Old Fashioned Christmas at Home." It will be held in the Student Union from 9:00 p.m. until 1:00 a.m. At 11:00, the

homecoming queen will be crowned and the Maid of Honor and the remaining candidates will be recognized. Admission to the dance will be \$3.00 per couple.

Many clubs and classes have announced some type of project of activity for Homecoming Weekend. Nu Gamma Phi, the Sophomore Class, and others are planning to build displays that will inform alumni and students of their respective activities. Also, the Wesleyan Circle K Club is sponsoring a party at the Boat Club on Friday night. Admission to the party will be by invitation only. As is the custom, all dormitories will have Open House on Sunday, December 5.



BERL GARRETT as Gabriel surrounded by Beth Speake (back to camera) as the Virgin Mary. Peggy Berg, Myra Dean, and Liz Martin (all angels) pray in this scene from the Christmas

NCW Theater Opens Pageant December 2

By LIZ REESE

On December 2, 3, and 4 two medieval Christmas pageants will be presented in the experimental theatreunder the direction of Mr. Dick Kagey.

"The Anunciation and Conception of the Virgin Mary" and "Second Shepard's Play" are known as cycle plays which developed during the Middle Ages. As all church services were then conducted in Latin, the cycle play was introduced as a means of instructing the people in the teachings of the church in their own language. This type of play was one of the earliest forms of community theatre. Each town produced an annual pageant composed of plays written, directed, and performed by volunteer townspeople. As a traditional folk art, this type of play poses several problems for the modern acting company. One of the major problems is that of contrived rhyme. If the words did not rhyme the amateur play wright simply changed the spelling and pronunciation to fit his purposes thus making the dialoge difficult for a modern audience to digest and understand. Medieval words and phrases tax the creativity of the actor who must somehow interpret them into action for the audience.

There are five allegorical characters in the two plays: Truth, Mercy, Justice, Peace and Contemplation. The portrayal of the four virtues presents a difficult task of characterization. The actors will not be portraying characters but will be interpreting ideas or concepts of the virtues. Contemplation presents the same problem. He is the personification of mankind - an "everyman" type of character.

This play is especially difficult because the medieval playwright left us only the dia-The director and his

company have complete freedom of characterization and interpretation.

This is not Mr. Kagey's first experience with pageant plays. While in undergraduate school at the University of Ohio, Mr. Kagey studied approximately twenty different plays in a course covering Medieval Drama. He designed scenery for a production of "Noyha's Fludde" (Noah's Flood), from the Chesterfield cycle, and healso (Continued On Page 4)

Organ Recital Presented By Phyllis Sutton

NEWS BUREAU -- Phyllis L. Sutton, a senior music major at N. C. Wesleyan College, presented an organ recital at the Church of the Good Shepherd here on Sunday, Nov. 21.

Miss Sutton performed works by Bach, Franck, Schroeder, Vierne, Buxtehude and Couperin. She has studied organ under Roger Lamb, instructor of organ at Wesleyan,

Since enrolling as a freshman at N. C. Wesleyan, Miss Sutton has been a member of the 75-voice Wesleyan Singers, the selected 13-voice Chamber Singers and the Concert Band, In 1970 she was awarded the Student Music Educators National Conference Scholarship which provides one semester of private instruction at Wesley-

Miss Sutton was named in this year's national listing of America's most outstanding university and college students, the 1971 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges, and is a frequent Dean's List student.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Garland C. Sutton of 101 Doris Avenue in Clinton.