

## Annual Institute of Religion Begins Series Monday Night

On Monday evening, January 24, at 8:00 p.m., the annual Institute of Religion, sponsored by the United Church of Raleigh, will begin its 16th year. For six successive Monday nights well-known personalities from a cross-section of public life will speak in connection with the theme, "Barriers to Freedom." The first of these speakers will be Dr. Willard E. Goslin of George Peabody College for Teachers in Nashville, Tennessee. In this opening session Goslin, who is an outstanding figure in education, an active churchman and the former president of the American Association of School Administrators, will speak on the 1955 theme of the Institute, "Barriers to Freedom."

On the following Monday, January 31, the Rev. A. Powell Davies, minister at the All Souls' Church, Unitarian, in Washington, D. C., will discuss "For Many People Are Afraid." Dr. Davies, known as an author, lecturer and clergyman, was recently noted by Drew Pearson for his position as a promoter of tolerance and free speech.

Harrison Salisbury, who has recently returned from five years in Moscow as the New York Times correspondent in the Soviet Union, will speak on the subject, "Is Freedom Possible in Russia?" on Monday, February 7. His book *Russia Re-Viewed*, appeared in condensed form in the December issue of the *Reader's Digest*.

On February 14, those attending the Institute will hear Dr. Sherwood Eddy discuss "Our Atomic World." A leader in Y.M.C.A. work and other religious organizations, Dr. Eddy has spent much of his life in travel and work in the East and

draws from much experience in his analysis of international problems.

Rev. Allyn P. Robinson, former pastor of the United Church and the person most instrumental in establishing the Institute of Religion, will speak on February 21 on "Religion—Barrier or Bulwark of Freedom?" He is currently associated with the National Conference of Christians and Jews as the Director of the Commission on Religious Organizations.

The final session of the 1955 Institute will be addressed by Drew Pearson, noted writer of the column "Washington Merry-Go-Round." His subject will be "Breaking Down the Barriers."

Preceding each of these eight o'clock meetings will be an hour of study and discussion which will be directed by competent local leaders. Three classes will be taught at seven each Monday night and are open to public free of charge. The classes offered this year include "Spiritual Growth in the Home," directed by Hattie Parrott who was previously with the State Department of Public Instruction; "Family Life Around the World," under the leadership of Mrs. Roy Anderson of the International Relations Department of the Raleigh Woman's Club; and "Segregated Education As Seen Within Perspectives of History, Law and Ethics," led by Dr. Edwin McNeil Potat and the Rev. Charles H. Jones.

A Fellowship Dinner prepared by the women of the United Church will be served each Monday night at 6:00 o'clock in the church basement. Reservations may be made by phoning the church and must be in before one o'clock each Monday.

## Exams Loom; Six to Graduate



Three of the graduating seniors look happily toward the future. They are Ann Hamrick, Gerry Vaughn, and Carolyn Plowman. Absent when the picture was made are Clara Bunn, Bobbye Teachey, and Rebekah Way.

None of us are looking forward to exams; but the six seniors who are taking them for the last time can look forward to their graduation which follows immediately. These six seniors are Clara Bunn, a chemistry major from Raleigh; Gerry Brown Vaughan, a religion major from Fort Mill, South Carolina; Ann Hamrick, an education major from Boiling Springs; Becky Upchurch Way, an education major from Raleigh; Bobbye Teachey, an education major from Rose Hill; and Caroline Wood Plowman, a home economics major from Troy.

Winter graduation this year is on Saturday, January 29. The exercises begin at 10:30 a.m. in the small auditorium, with Dr. Carlyle Campbell delivering the address and presenting the graduates with their diplomas.

Dr. Cooper will be at the organ and will also arrange special music for the graduation service.

### O'Steen Presents Piano Recital

On Tuesday evening, January 11, 1955, at 8:00, in the Meredith College auditorium Mr. John O'Steen presented a program of piano music. His selections included "Suite Francaise," by Poulenc; "Variations and Fugue on a Theme," by Handel; Op. 24 by Brahms. After a short intermission the audience enjoyed his rendition of "Ballade in F Minor," Op. 52, by Chopin and "Sonata No. 3," Op. 46," by Kabalevoky.

Mr. O'Steen received his A.B. at the University of North Carolina and his M.Mus. at the University of Indiana. He joined the faculty of Meredith College in 1953.

### Contests Announced By Mademoiselle

Mademoiselle has recently announced two of its annual contests—the College Fiction Contest and the Art Contest, which are designed to discover and recognize new talent in these two fields. Any college student under twenty-six may enter the contests, and the two winners of each contest will receive \$500 each for the publication of their work. Honorable mention will be given to the runners-up. Announcements of the results of the contest will be made in the August 1955 issue. For further information, see the editor.

### Recital Given By Leah Scarborough

Miss Leah Scarborough of Mt. Gilead, N. C., was presented in a graduation recital on Friday evening, January 14, in Jones Auditorium. The recital, a partial fulfillment of the requirements for the degree of Bachelor of Arts with a major in piano, was well executed and included such familiar numbers as "Prelude and Fugue in B flat Major," by Bach and *March from Love of the Three Oranges*, by Prokofieff.

Leah, an outstanding senior at Meredith, is a student of Stuart Pratt, head of the department of piano. She has been a member of the chorus, treasurer of Sigma Alpha Iota, music editor for the *Twig* and vice-president of Kappa Nu Sigma. She has also been on the Dean's List since entering Meredith.

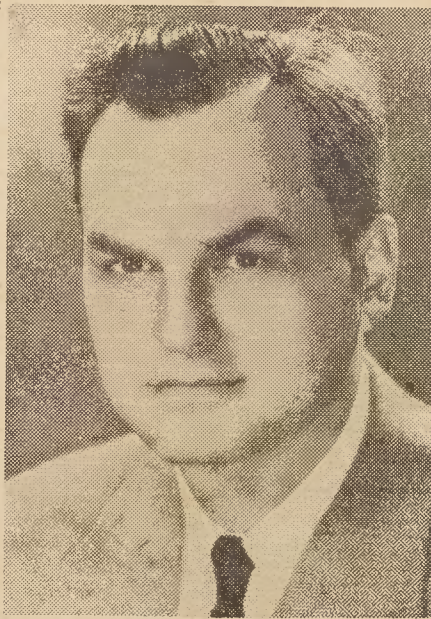
Leah plans to enter the teaching profession after graduation this spring.

## Religious Emphasis Week Planned

Rev. Randolph Gregory of the First Baptist Church, Wilmington; Dr. Norfleet Gardner of the First Baptist Church, Laurinburg; and Miss Anne Queen, college secretary for the American Friends Service Committee with offices in Greensboro, will arrive at Meredith on Monday morning, February 14, for the 1955 Religious Emphasis Week. President Carlyle Campbell and June Vann, student chairman of the week, will be in charge of the opening chapel service. The three visiting speakers will be introduced at that time.

Chapel services and evening services of worship in the auditorium will continue throughout the week. Special music will be provided by Miss Beatrice Donley and the College Chorus. A special chapel service on Friday morning, February 19, at which Mrs. Mary Ellen Wooten Garrett, Baptist missionary to Nigeria, will speak, will close the formal services of this period of emphasis.

June Vann and Shirley McLean, B.S.U. president, student members of the steering committee, emphasize that personal conferences with the speakers are not for students "afflicted with some oppressive burden" alone. "Any girl who would like an opportunity to talk informally with these helpful and mature visitors may do so by making arrangements with Virginia Morris, chairman of conferences." June points out, "To sign early for a half-hour or so with the speaker of your preference is to help the purpose of



Rev. Randolph Gregory



Dr. Norfleet Gardner



Miss Anne Queen

these scheduled days benefit the whole student body." Speakers will appear in classes as they are invited by members of the faculty.

"We Have This Ministry," B.S.U. theme for the year, has been selected as theme for the week. Each of the three team members will meet in a daily discussion group with interested students. It is hoped that each student will participate regularly in one of these seminars.

Both Mr. Gregory and Dr. Gardner are natives of Virginia. Mr. Gregory has studied at the Virginia Military Institute where he was graduated in civil engineering and won letters in football and basketball; at Crozer Seminary in Penn-

sylvania; and at the University of Pennsylvania. He has done considerable advanced study in clinical training for a counseling ministry.

Dr. Gardner holds degrees from the University of Richmond, the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and the University of Chicago. His work has been a teaching ministry, including some years as professor of Bible at Campbell College. In 1951 he was member of a preaching mission to Japan and has had a lifelong active interest in Christian missions.

Miss Queen, native of Canton in this state, has studied at Berea College and the W.M.U. Training School in Louisville and holds the

Bachelor of Divinity degree from the Yale Divinity School. For three years she was assistant chaplain at the University of Georgia. She has directed workcamps for the Friends in Mexico. Her deep interest in racial and economic justice, her experience in youth projects implementing Christian motives and her unusual gift of rapport with thinking students combine to make her especially effective in college programs of this kind.

Mrs. Garrett, wife of Marvin Garrett of Nigeria and Wake Forest, who is to speak in chapel Friday, comes to Meredith by courtesy of the state Woman's Missionary

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### Joyner and Tippet Win 'Acorn' Contest

Nancy Joyner and Betsy Tippet were winners of a short story contest sponsored by the *Acorn*. Nancy Joyner, a freshman and an English major, won the first prize of \$10 with her story "Three Against Aunt Susan." Betsy Tippet received a \$5 prize for "A Woman's Intuition." Betsy, a transfer from Auburn, Alabama, is majoring in sociology.

Each entrant of the contest was required to begin her story with the sentences, "Well, after all these years I've finally done it!" "Done what, Susan?"

The judges of the contest were Dr. Tilley, Dr. Gardner and Miss Holland.