

HOLIDAYS OFFER OPPORTUNITIES TO ATTEND CONFERENCES

ECUMENICAL CONFERENCE TO BE HELD AT DAVIDSON

During the Christmas holidays this year will meet students of all races, all denominations, and many countries from all over the Southeast at Davidson College for the United Student Christian Council Southeastern Study Conference. From December 27 through January 1 college students from Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee, and Kentucky will join together in study, worship, and fellowship at Davidson, North Carolina. The conference theme "Our United Witness in the College and University" will be interpreted by Dr. Waldo Beach of the Duke Divinity School. "The USCC has called this study conference because the Christian students of America have neglected their calling to serve God with the mind, because we learn God's will in the communal experience of group study, and because many urgent questions of our time demand answers in terms of the Christian faith," states the conference chairman, Malcolm C. McIver, Jr.

The daily schedule of activities on the campus at Davidson for these five days includes worship, platform addresses, discussion groups, free time for fellowship, food, individual study, Bible study, recreation, and firesides. Dr. Roger Crook of Meredith will be one of the faculty resource persons. Before going to the conference, students are orientated to the theme by reading *Chosen Peoples* by Denis Baly. A library made up of books furnished by participants of the conference will aid in the study of the ecumenical mission of the church.

It is hoped that many Meredith girls from all denominations will take time from a busy holiday schedule to enter into this experience with other students. Registration blanks are available in the B.S.U. office on campus.

PHIS AND ASTROS SPONSOR PROJECT

Both societies sponsored Christmas projects this year for the benefit of needy children. On Wednesday, December 12, at 7:00 p.m., the Phis held a Christmas party in the hut for welfare children. A jolly Santa Claus was there to distribute presents. After playing a number of seasonal games, the children were served refreshments. Kay White was in charge of the party, and Betsy Lane planned the program.

On Thursday, December 14, the Astros chartered a bus so that each girl might take a gift to the 160 children at the school for the blind. The girls held a party for the children. A program was presented and the group sang Christmas carols.

JUNIORS ENTERTAIN "LITTLE SISTERS"

The junior class will hold their "Big Sister-Little Sister" party Wednesday, January 9, at 10:00 p.m. This party is an annual affair at Meredith, and the juniors are planning to give their "little sisters" a fine program mixed with good fellowship and a gay time this year.

Freshmen will not want to miss this opportunity to know their "big sisters" and receive the full meaning of what this tradition means to every girl at Meredith.

WORLD MISSIONS CONGRESS TO MEET IN NASHVILLE

During the Christmas holidays students will have the opportunity of attending the Southern Baptist Student World Missions Congress in Nashville, Tennessee. This congress is held for the purpose of "launching a year of world missions emphasis, confronting national and international issues, discovering personal and corporate responsibility" that such vision may be shared with the local campus and church.

It is open to students preparing for every vocation, not merely to mission volunteers.

A number of outstanding speakers, including Theodore F. Adams, Baker James Canthen, and Billy Graham will speak on the theme, "The Christian Student in the World Crisis."

Silver Shield Taps Green and Wallace

In tapping service on November 20, Silver Shield added two juniors as associate members: Pat Greene and Nancy Wallace.

Pat Greene is an organ major from Cliffside, North Carolina. She is a dean's list student and a member of Sigma Alpha Iota. This year besides being in chorus and being accompanist for the "Triple Trio," Pat writes a column for THE TWIG and is a member of the B.S.U. Council. The juniors owe much to their busy classmate because she composed the music for their winning stunt. Since last summer Pat was organist for the State B.S.U. choir and she is now directing her own choir at Boulevard Baptist Church. It is not surprising that she plans to be a director of church music after graduation.

Nancy Wallace is a music major who has just moved into Stringfield dorm after being a day student for two years. She says that although she liked being a day student, living on campus is really the life for her. Nancy is president of the junior class, State student president of the North Carolina Federation of Music Clubs, a member of Sigma Alpha Iota, and treasurer of the national honorary modern language fraternity, Sigma Pi Alpha. This year she has enjoyed most of all working with the juniors on Stunt. Already she has begun to think about the Big Sister-Little Sister party in January and the Junior-Senior in April and — her junior recital.

Her plans after graduation are not surprising after seeing her friendly smile; she says, "I'd like to do something creative — with people, too."

Angels Carol With N.C. State B.S.U.

As the notes of "Jingle Bells" and "White Christmas" gaily drifted through the crisp night air, a group of happy carolers sang its way into the State College B.S.U. House for hot chocolate. Scattered here and there among the State boys could be seen the familiar faces of Meredith angels.

The festive evening began at 6:00 p.m. yesterday at Pullen Baptist Church with a spaghetti supper and a practice "sing." As buses rolled up in front of the church, the carolers scampered on to sing "songs of good cheer" to Dr. Campbell, Dr. Finlater, the Reverend Douglas Aldrich, and many others — "and a good time was had by all."

College Chorus to Present Annual Christmas Concert



READY FOR CAROLING: Pat Jackson, Carolyn Strayhorn, Shirley Jordan, Gail Ward, and Jody Gibson have dressed for coldest weather in preparation for a midnight caroling trip.

Story of Christmas To Be Given in Song

The Meredith College Chorus, under direction of Miss Beatrice Donley, will present its annual Christmas concert on Sunday, December 16, at 4 p.m. in Jones Auditorium, with Nancy Perkins at the piano and Susan Moss, narrator.

"The Story Of Christmas," presented in song, will consist of seven groups: The Prophecy, The Annunciation, The Journey to Bethlehem, The Vision of the Shepherds, The Quest of the Wise Men, The Nativity, and The Fulfillment of the Prophecy.

The Triple Trio will open the program with "Voices of the Mist" by Alden.

Following this, the chorus tells of The Prophecy with "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming" by Praetorius. Soprano Soloist Peggy Holland will sing of the Annunciation: "The Angel Gabriel Was Sent From God" by Matthews. The chorus will sing then "The Little Road to Bethlehem" by Head. The Vision of the Shepherds is told by Pergolesi's "Glory to God in the Highest," with Betsy Bullock, Clara Hudson and Kay Johnson, soloists.

The next group, The Quest of the Wise Men, consists of five numbers: "Three Kings Have Journeyed From the Eastern Land" by Cornelius, with Jeanne Grealish, soloist; "Behold That Star," a spiritual; "The Coventry Carol"; No Lullaby Need Mary Sing," by Clokey and "Born Today! Christ the Lord!" by Sweetlink.

Next the chorus sings of The Nativity with "In Bethlehem's Lowly Manger" by Williams; "At the Cradle" by Frank; "Lullaby For Jesus," a Polish carol; and "Slumber, My Tiny One," an Alsatian carol.

The Fulfillment Of The Prophecy will be told with "O Come, O Come Emmanuel," a Latin hymn; and "Thou Must Leave Thy Lowly Dwelling" by Barlioz.

Marilyn Greene, soprano soloist, will sing next a cycle of ancient carols arranged by Delamarter, and the chorus will end with "Stille Nacht! Heilige Nacht!" by Gruber.

Jeanne Grealish Wins Music Honors

When the North Carolina Student Division of the National Federation of Music Clubs planned its State Student Convention, they wished to have written a Federation hymn for the division. Jeanne wrote words to this hymn and they have been accepted by the National Federation Board. Another honor Jeanne has received is a scholarship to Tanglewood, Berkshire Music Center, the summer home of the Boston Symphony. She was a member of one of the choruses at Tanglewood summer before last, and this summer she will be a chorus leader.

Dr. Yarbrough Attends National Meetings

On December 26-31, Dr. John Yarbrough will attend the annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in New York City. As Secretary-Treasurer of the N. C. Academy of Science, he is the official representative of that body. He is also on the National Council, the governing body of the A.A.S.

Banquet, Caroling, Hall Parties Mark Beginning of Christmas Holidays

On December 18, eve of the Christmas recess, the Meredith students will enjoy a round of traditional festivities. At 6:00 p.m. in the dining hall the annual Christmas banquet for faculty and students will be held. This formal occasion will feature candlelight, soft strains of Christmas music, turkey with all the trimmings, and lots and lots of bubbly Christmas spirit.

Later in the evening the Meredith angels will bundle up in their warmest clothes and board chartered

buses to carry them through the city and to the homes of the faculty, administration, staff, and friends of the college for caroling which will last into the early hours of the morning.

On their return, "Roy" will be waiting for them in the Rotunda with plenty of hot chocolate and doughnuts.

The festivities are planned by the Student Government Council, The Baptist Student Union, and the Athletic Association.

May Court Is Chosen

Mary Edna Grimes, of Smithfield, has been chosen to be Queen of the May Court this year. Mary Edna, a home economics major, was in the May Court her sophomore year. She has been secretary, vice-president, and is now president of the Athletic Association. She is a member of Silver Shield, and was recently chosen to be mentioned in *Who's Who*. She was elected class treasurer her freshman year and she won the freshman hockey stick. She has also been a counselor.

Maid of honor will be Janet Fulcher of Rocky Mount. An elementary education major, she is a counselor and a chorus member, and has been a hall proctor, a marshal, and a May Court attendant.

Senior attendants in the May Court will be Betty Jo Kiff, of Ahsokie, and Beverly Rowand, of Morristown, Tenn. Betty Jo, a Chorus member, likes to sing and play the piano. A Spanish major, she is an officer in the Spanish Club this year.

Beverly Rowand is also a Spanish

major and is president of the Spanish Club and active in Sigma Pi Alpha. She is Astro Chief Marshal and is on the TWIG staff.

Betsy Lane, of Asheboro, and Lula May Jones, of Pink Hill, will be junior representatives. The hall proctor of third Stringfield, Betsy is on Student Government Council. Also, she is a soprano in the Chorus, and a member of the *Oak Leaves* staff. She is an elementary education major.

"Lu" Jones, an English major, is class secretary, a counselor, a marshal, and a member of the *Oak Leaves* staff.

Representing the sophomores will be Marcia Hampton, of Asheville, and Katherine Renfrew, of Jacksonville, N. C. Both are primary education majors. Katherine is a transfer from St. Mary's.

From the freshmen will be Marie Cook, of Louisburg, and Marilyn Carr, of Clinton. Marie plans to major in primary education, and Marilyn will major in business education.

TRIP PLANNED FOR SPRING VACATION

Miss Helena Williams and Miss Betty Jean Yeager are planning a trip to New York during spring holidays for the Meredith students. They will leave the first day of the holidays and will be gone four nights and five days. While they are staying at the Taft Hotel, they will attend four Broadway plays, the Perry Como Show, and the Ed Sullivan Show. Any one interested in this trip may contact either Miss Williams or Miss Yeager.

Science Department Has Open House Today

The Science Department is holding Open House today from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. All students and faculty are invited to the biology and chemistry laboratories to see the exhibits of scientific apparatus and demonstrations of scientific principles. Science majors will be present to explain and demonstrate equipment. Dr. Mary Yarbrough and Mrs. Helen Jo Collins will provide refreshments.